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In re application of

Luca MAFFEIS et al.

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SELF-TAPPING STUD FOR RUBBER SUPPORTS OF SHOES, TYRES AND THE LIKE, AND A TOOL FOR MOUNTING SAID STUD

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 19, 2008

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of June 19, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.